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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**APPLICANTS:** 

McCormick et al.

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**EXAMINER:** 

Suhol, Dmitry

TITLE:

A System and Method of Matching Teachers with Students to

Facilitate Conducting Online Private Instruction Over a Global

Network

## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed on January 27, 2004 in connection with the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully submit the following Amendment and Response.

Please cancel the currently pending claims and add new claims into the subject application as indicated herein. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections presented in the Office Action in view of the amendments and response presented in this paper.

Applicants submit herewith a petition and fee for a one-month extension of time, up to and including May 27, 2004, to respond to the Office Action. It is not believed that any further extensions of time or additional fees are required, beyond those which accompany this paper; however, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account Number 20-0531.